

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 6, 7 and 10-13 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claim 1, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An ink-jet recording medium having at least a light-reflecting layer and a dye-fixing layer formed in this order on a base material in a multilayer structure, wherein the light-reflecting layer contains two or more pigments different in chemical composition, wherein the pigments comprise a pigment (A) having a highest liquid absorbency in the pigments and a pigment (B) having a lowest liquid absorbency in the pigments, and wherein the pigment (A) has an average particle size of not larger than 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$ , and the pigment (B) has an average particle size ranging from 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  to 10  $\mu\text{m}$ , provided that the average particle size of the pigment (A) is smaller than the average particle size of the pigment (B), and wherein the pigment (B) is barium sulfate.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Previously Presented) The recording medium according to claim 1, wherein pigment (B) has an average particle size ranging from 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  to 5  $\mu\text{m}$ .

4. (Original) The recording medium according to claim 1, wherein the light-reflecting layer is directly formed on the base material.

5. (Original) The recording medium according to claim 1, wherein the pigment (A) is an aluminum pigment.

Claims 6-8 (Cancelled).

9. (Previously Presented) The recording medium according to claim 1, wherein the dye-fixing layer serves as a recording face and has a 20°-glossiness of not lower than 20%.

Claims 10-13 (Cancelled).

14. (Previously Presented) The recording medium according to claim 1, wherein the dye-fixing layer comprises not less than 70 mass percent alumina hydrate particles.